

ACTON PLANNING BOARD

Minutes of Meeting April 19, 2011 Acton Town Hall, Room 204

Planning Board members Mr. Ryan Bettez (Chairman), Mr. Jeff Clymer (Vice Chairman), Mr. Roland Bourdon, Ms. Margaret Woolley Busse, Mr. Derrick Chin, and Ms. Kim Montella attended. Also present was Planning Director Mr. Roland Bartl. Mr. Ray Yacouby (Clerk) was absent.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:35 PM.

I. <u>Citizens Concerns</u>

No concerns raised.

II. Consent Agenda

Consent Item A. Minutes of 3/1/2011 were approved with amendments. Consent Item B. Extension Request for Michele Circle subdivision plan endorsement was discussed. Planning Board members stated that the condition of the property is an affront to the community. Ms. Ahearn representing the developer, Walker Realty, will report back at the next meeting to inform the Board what if anything Walker is prepared to do about it. Decision on extension request is deferred until next meeting.

III. Reports

<u>CPC</u> – Mr. Bourdon noted that all recommended CPA projects were funded at Town Meeting. The CPC will work on issuing the award letters at the next meeting on April 28. Mr. Bartl noted that the next meeting will be in Exchange Hall and include a tour and review of the building's restoration project.

<u>EDC</u> – Mr. Clymer noted the EDC's nearly sole focus on alleged problems with Acton sign bylaw. Mr. Chin concurred.

<u>WRAC</u> – Mr. Clymer reported that WRAC has moved from research to discussing strategies for bring a proposed storm water bylaw to the next annual Town Meeting.

<u>Open Space</u> – Mr. Clymer stated that the committee continues work on several potential open space purchases.

<u>Design Review</u> – Ms. Montella reported that there had not been many proposals for review lately. The DRB started reviewing other towns' efforts to protect community character.

<u>Acton 2020</u> – Ms. Woolley Busse announced the next public forum on June 23. The committee with the help of the consultant is developing 3 to 4 alternative scenarios such 'stay the course', 'stop residential development with focus on limited/selective commercial development', or 'redirect all or most development into Kelley's Corner and village centers'. There is also discussion on whether the focus should be narrower on just Kelley's Corner and perhaps one of the village centers. Ms. Woolley Busse asked for Planning Board input. Board members shared thoughts and ideas to take back to the Acton 2020 committee.

IV. Review – Zoning Map and Land Use Map

Deferred to the next available meeting time.

Meeting was adjourned.

